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Per our conversation on Friday, I am attaching the talking points on the Voice of Vengeance broadcasts. Also attached are transcripts of broadcasts.


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TALKING POINTS

We first heard about the broadcasts on 30 March 1985 when it was reported by a Kuwaiti News Agency, KUNA. We first heard the broadcast on 2 April 1985 and last heard it on 19 April 1985 (on the air about three weeks). The Tunisian newspaper Al-Sabah said "it was transmitted in Zuwarah, Libya." We were unable to confirm this. We are quite sure it was Libyan and had government backing.

Tunis newspaper: Al Maquif

It is a weekly. It is independent and we believe it to have Tunisian Baath party orientation, and is an organ of the Progressive Socialist Grouping (Pro-Baath Group). The Responsible Director is Ahmed Nejib Chabbi. It carries international news and not just party news.

London Al-Tadamun

It is a weekly, independent with Lebanese orientation. We believe it was founded by Fouad Matar a Lebanese journalist (presumably ex-patriot). Our opinion is that it is a high-quality, highly respectable newspaper. It carries worldwide news with an Arabic focus.